

Meeting Notes of the NOx Control Technical Advisory Group
August 14, 2003
Columbia, South Carolina

Attendees

Ruth Albright, Tracy Beer, Joe Briston, Robbie Brown, Dennis Camit, Dave Clark, Kevin Clark, Frank Cramer, Peggi Davis, Gary Fields, Tommy Flynn, Art Holbrooks, Bill Horton (by phone), John Hursey, John Owings, Heather Preston, Jack Preston, Randy Pulley, and Bill Voshell

August 13th Draft Regulation

The group discussed the August 13th draft NOx Control Regulation. Among the topics discussed was whether or not the tune-up requirements applied to all sources. Staff had intended for this requirement to apply to all new fuel combustion sources except those that are exempted under Section I(b). The current draft is not consistent with this interpretation and staff will discuss how to modify the draft. Also relating to the tune-up requirements, stakeholders mentioned that very old boilers often lack documentation relating to manufacturer's specifications. Thus, it was suggested that the provision requiring tune-ups to be conducted in accordance with manufacturer's specifications be revised to also allow good engineering practices. There was some concern that "good engineering practices" would be subject to interpretation. Thus, the suggestion was made for facilities to have tune-up plans available for inspection. Finally there was some discussion of the requirement for sources to notify the Department prior to replacing a burner. Stakeholders questioned the need for prior notification since no approval is planned. Again, staff will discuss and revise this requirement if deemed necessary.

Next Meeting

The next meeting will be on September 4th at 10:00 in the DHEC Board Room (room 3420). This will be the last stakeholder meeting prior to submittal of the regulations to the DHEC Board and publication in the State Register. Stakeholders should have comments on the revised draft to Heather by August 26th.